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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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SUBJ: KHARTOUM ASSASSINATIONS: PRESS COVERAGE.

JOINT STATE/ USIA MESSAGE

1. AL- AYAM HAJ REPORTED THAT " AMERICAN EMBASSY EMPLOYEES IN KHARTOUM ARE TALKING WITH ADMIRATION THESE DAYS OF ASPECTS OF THE SUDANESE CHARACTER THAT HAVE BEEN DISCLOSED IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS. THEY HAVE RELATED VARIOUS STORIES TO DEMONSTRATE THESE HUMAN AND MORAL ASPECTS.

2. " ALL OF THEM END WITH THE STORY OF THE DOCTOR WHO DID SEVERAL MEDICAL CHECKUPS FOR THE LATE AMBASSADOR, A FEW DAYS BEFORE HIS ASSASSINATION. AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE EXAMINATIONS AND TREATMENT, THE DOCTOR HAD SENT HIS BILL TO THE EMBASSY.

3. " TWO DAYS AGO, A DELEGATION FROM THE EMBASSY, INCLUDING TWO LADIES AND TWO MEN, WENT TO THE DOCTOR CARRYING A CHECK FOR LS.50, THE AMOUNT OF THE BILL. THE DOCTOR KINDLY REFUSED TO ACCEPT THE CHECK, SAYING, ' NOW EVERYTHING IS OVER, PLEASE ACCEPT MY CONDOLENCES FOR YOUR LOSS AND GO BACK'.

4. " THEY TOLD HIM THAT IT WAS MONEY HE HAD EARNED AND THAT THE U. S. GOVERNMENT OWES HIM. " HE SAID, ' PLEASE ACCEPT MY UNCLASSIFIED

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APOLOGIES AND REGRET AND TELL YOUR GOVERNMENT THAT IS THE
SUDANESE CHARACTER'."
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